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ANNOUNCEMENT

SUBJECT: Establishment of the Sciences and Exploration Directorate, Code 600

Effective January 23, 2005, the Sciences and Exploration Directorate, Code 600, was established at the Goddard Space Flight Center. This action transforms Goddard's Space Sciences Directorate, Code 600, and the Earth Sciences Directorate, Code 900, into a single organization in order to meet the vision and goals for exploration established by the President and to provide new focus for NASA science missions and research. By creating the Sciences and Exploration Directorate, Goddard will align with NASA Headquarters organization and programmatic consolidation which has been implemented through its new Science Mission Directorate.

Objectives of the transformation include the following:

- Integrate Earth science and solar physics research activities to better incorporate solar dynamics effects in the study of factors that impact the Earth's environment.
- Integrate Earth surface and geodynamics research capabilities with related planetary science research to provide a comprehensive capability for the comparative study of solar system bodies, including the Earth.
- Integrate astronomy and astrophysics research to establish a comprehensive capability for exploration of the universe.
- Provide leadership at the Directorate level to assure creative engineering support to research activities and to coordinate with the Applied Engineering and Technology Directorate for mission development efforts.

This transformation creates three new science divisions within the new Directorate, and the following individuals will serve in leadership positions.

- Earth-Sun Exploration Division, Code 610. Dr. Franco Einaudi, formerly Director of Earth Sciences, is appointed Division Director.

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- Exploration of the Universe Division, Code 660. Dr. Nicholas White, formerly Chief, Laboratory for High Energy Astrophysics, is appointed Division Director. Dr. William Oegerle, formerly Associate Chief, Laboratory for Astronomy and Solar Physics, is appointed Associate Division Director.
- Solar Systems Exploration Division, Code 690. Dr. Richard Vondrak formerly Chief, Laboratory for Extraterrestrial Physics, is appointed Division Director. Dr. Dorothy Zukor, formerly Deputy Director of Earth Sciences, is appointed Deputy Division Director. Dr. David Smith, formerly Chief, Laboratory for Terrestrial Physics, is appointed Deputy Division Director for Planetary Science.
- Mr. John Dalton, formerly Deputy Director of Space Sciences, is appointed Deputy Director of Sciences and Exploration.

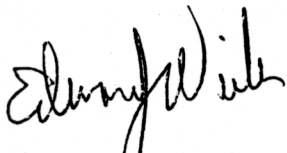
In addition to the above science divisions, the following key organizations and management positions are established.

- Associate Director for Science Engineering, Code 601. Ms. Carolyn Krebs, formerly Chief, Instrument Systems and Technology Division, Code 550, is appointed Associate Director.
- University Programs Office, Code 602. Dr. Vigdor Teplitz, formerly University Affairs Officer, is appointed Office Chief.
- Administration and Resources Management Office, Code 603. Ms. Kelly Pecnick, formerly Chief, Administration and Resources Management Office, (Earth Sciences) is appointed Acting Chief.
- Office of Science Utilization, Code 604. Dr. Shahid Habib, formerly Assistant Director for Project and Technology, (Earth Sciences) is appointed Acting Chief.
- Science Proposal Support Office, Code 605. Dr. James Green, formerly Chief, Space Science Data Operations Office, (Space Sciences), is appointed Office Chief.
- Computational and Information Sciences and Technology Office, Code 606. Dr. Richard Rood, formerly Chief, Earth and Space Data Computing Office, (Earth Sciences), is appointed Office Chief.

The position of Director of Sciences and Exploration is currently vacant. The following will serve as Acting Director for two month terms:

- Dr. Nicholas White, Code 660
- Dr. Richard Vondrak, Code 690
- Dr. Franco Einaudi, Code 610

Additional information on the Sciences and Exploration Directorate, including other key positions and organization functions, can be viewed at <http://science.gsfc.nasa.gov/>.



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